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FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF SPEECH MADE BY AMBASSADOR LEONARD
AT SC MEETING AM MAY 27 ON RESOLUTION ON EXPANSION OF
RHODESIAN SANCTIONS. RESOLUTION (SEPTTEL) PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
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SPEECH BY U.S. DELEGATION ON SC RESOLUTION EXPANDING
RHODESIAN SANCTIONS

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MR. PRESIDENT,

FOR MORE THAN ELEVEN YEARS AN ILLEGAL RACIST MINORITY
REGIME IN RHODESIA HAS DEFIED THIS COUNCIL,
STOOD IN OPEN REBELLION AGAINST THE BRITISH CROWN,
AND FLOUTED WORLD OPINION. THE RESULT OF THIS
REBELLION HAS BEEN WIDESPREAD SUFFERING ON THE PART

OF THE PEOPLE OF ZIMBABWE, SUFFERING WHICH THREATENS
TO EXPAND IF MAJORITY RULE IS NOT ACHIEVED IN
ZIMBABWE AND THE MINORITY REGIME CONSIGNED TO OBLIVION.

IT IS WITH PARTICULAR SATISFACTION THAT MY
DELEGATION HAS JOINED IN DRAFTING, CO-SPONSORING AND ADOPTING
THIS RESOLUTION.

THE REASONS FOR OUR SATISFACTION, MR. PRESIDENT, ARE
NUMEROUS. AS IS WELL KNOWN TO THE MEMBERS OF THIS COUNCIL,
MY DELEGATION WAS PRIVILEGED TO PLAY ONE OF THE LEADING
ROLES IN THE TIGHTENING OF SANCTIONS CONTAINED IN PARAGRAPHS 1
AND 2 OF THIS RESOLUTION. WE BELIEVE THAT THE ELABORATION AND
ADOPTION OF THIS RESOLUTION COMES AT AN IMPORTANT TIME AND
MUST BE SEEN IN THE CONTEXT OF SUCH OTHER IMPORTANT
DEVELOPMENTS AS THE ELIMINATION OF THE BYRD
AMENDMENT AND THE SPIRIT OF HARMONY AND COOPERATIVE EFFORT
TOWARD A COMMON GOAL THAT CHARACTERIZED THE RECENT MEETING
AT MAPUTO. THE DECISIONS TAKEN IN THIS RESOLUTION FACILITATE
TIGHTENING THE SANCTIONS SO THAT THE ILLEGAL REGIME IN
SOUTHERN RHODESIA MAY NO LONGER TAKE ADVANTAGE OF LOOPHOLES
TO FURTHER ITS GOALS. THIS RESOLUTION, ALONG WITH THE OTHER
RECENT ACTIONS TO WHICH I HAVE REFERRED, CAN LEAVE NO DOUBT
IN THE MINDS OF ANY OF THE LEADERS IN SALISBURY OR ELSEWHERE
OF THE COMMITMENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY TO THE
ATTAINMENT OF A GOVERNMENT IN SOUTHERN RHODESIA BASED ON
THE CONSENT OF THE GOVERNMENT. THE UNANIMOUS NATURE OF THE
ACTION TODAY UNDERLINES THE STRENGTH OF THE
INTERNATIONAL COMMITMENT. THE EFFORTS TAKEN BY THE MEMBERS
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OF THE COUNCIL TO ACHIEVE THIS UNANIMOUS RESULT AUGER WELL
FOR CONTINUING INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION TO SOLVE THE MANY
AND SERIOUS PROBLEMS OF SOUTHERN AFRICA.

IN AGREEING TO MEET NO LATER THAN 11 NOVEMBER "TO CONSIDER
THE APPLICATION OF FURTHER MEASURES" WE ARE COMMITTING OURSELVES
TO CONTINUE IN ACCORDANCE WITH OUR OFTEN STATED POSITIONS
OF PRINCIPLE TO EXPLORE WAYS AND MEANS OF CLOSING LOOPHOLES
WHICH MAY DIMINISH THE IMPACT OF THE ECONOMIC SANCTIONS
PROGRAM.

WE ARE FURTHERMORE PLEASED THAT THE FORMULATION OF THIS
RESOLUTION HAS CAREFULLY PRESERVED THE EXISTING FUNCTIONS
OF THE SANCTIONS COMMITTEE. FOR AS MATTERS NOW STAND
THE SANCTIONS REGIME IS SUFFICIENT TO IMPOSE A CRUSHING
BURDEN ON THE ECONOMY OF SOUTHERN RHODESIA. THE NEED IS TO
EXAMINE FURTHER THE FUNCTIONING OF THE SYSTEM IN ORDER TO
PREVENT ITS CIRCUMVENTION.

AFTER ALMOST NINE YEARS THE MINORITY GOVERNMENT IN
SALISBURY IS STILL IN POWER AND ECONOMIC CONDITIONS THERE
HAVE NOT DECLINED APPRECIABLY. THERE ARE REASONS
FOR THIS AND THE REASONS CERTAINLY LIE IN THE
FACT THAT SOME NATIONS ALLOW VIOLATIONS OF THE
SANCTIONS IMPOSED BY THIS COUNCIL.

THE SANCTIONS COMMITTEE'S EXAMINATION OF PARTICULAR
CASES THEREFORE HAS BECOME MORE IMPORTANT THAN EVER.

WE HOPE MR. PRESIDENT, THAT BEFORE NOVEMBER OF THIS YEAR
IMPORTANT STEPS WILL HAVE BEEN TAKEN TO BRING ABOUT
A GOVERNMENT IN RHODESIA BASED ON THE FREE CONSENT
OF THE GOVERNED. WE PLEDGE OURSELVES TO CONTINUE TO WORK
TO THAT END THROUGH ALL AVAILABLE MEANS.

THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT.
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